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Motor Vehicle Use Map

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PURPOSE AND CONTENTS OF THIS MAP

The designations shown on this motor vehicle use map (MVUM) were made by the responsible official pursuant to 36 CFR 212.51; are effective as of the date on the front cover of the MVUM and will remain in effect until superseded by next year's MVUM.

It is the responsibility of the user to acquire the current MVUM. This MVUM shows the National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and the areas on National Forest System lands in the Uncompahgre National Forest that are designated for motor vehicle use pursuant to 36 CFR 212.51. This MVUM also identifies the vehicle classes allowed on each route and in each area, and any seasonal restrictions that apply on those routes and in those areas.

Designation of a road, trail, or area for motor vehicle use by a particular class of vehicle under 36 CFR 212.51 should not be interpreted as encouraging or inviting use or implying that the road, trail, or area is passable, actively maintained, or safe for travel. Motor vehicle designations include parking along designated routes and at facilities associated with designated routes when it is safe to do so and when not causing damage to National Forest System resources. Seasonal weather conditions and natural events may render designated roads and trails impassable for extended periods. Designated areas may contain dangerous or impassable terrain. Many designated roads and trails may be passable only by high-clearance vehicles or four-wheel-drive vehicles. Maintenance of designated roads and trails will depend on available resources, and many may receive little maintenance.

This motor vehicle use map identifies those roads, trails, and areas designated for the motor vehicle use under 36 CFR 212.51 for the purpose of enforcing the prohibition at 36 CFR 261.13. This is a limited purpose. The other public roads are shown for information and navigation purposes only and are not subject to designation under the Forest Service travel management regulation.

These designations apply only to National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and areas on National Forest System lands.

OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Operating a motor vehicle on National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and in areas on National Forest System lands carries a greater responsibility than operating that vehicle in a city or other developed setting. Not only must you know and follow all applicable traffic laws, you need to show concern for the environment as well as other forest users. The misuse of motor vehicles can lead to the temporary or permanent closure of any designated road, trail, or area. As a motor vehicle operator, you are also subject to State traffic law, including State requirements for licensing, registration, and operation of the vehicle in question.

Motor vehicle use, especially off-highway vehicle use, involves inherent risks that may cause property damage, serious injury, and possibly death to participants. Drive cautiously and anticipate rough surfaces and features, such as snow, mud, vegetation, and water crossings common to remote driving conditions. By your participation, you voluntarily assume full responsibility for these damages, risks, and dangers. Take care at all times to protect yourself and those under your responsibility.

Much of the Uncompahgre National Forest is remote. Medical assistance may not be readily available. Cellular telephones do not work in many areas of the Uncompahgre National Forest. Take adequate food, water, first-aid supplies, and other equipment appropriate for the conditions and expected weather.

ALWAYS REMEMBER TO RESPECT PRIVATE LAND! PROTECT YOUR PRIVILEGE. STAY ON DESIGNATED ROADS AND TRAILS AND IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

Read and understand this map in its entirety. If you have questions, please contact the Uncompahgre National Forest for clarification.

As a motor vehicle operator on a National Forest System road, trail, or area you must comply with this map, as well as all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations. Compliance with these rules is your responsibility.

Legend

— Roads Open to Highway Legal Vehicles Only

--- Roads Open to All Vehicles

- - - Trails Open to All Vehicles

..... Special Vehicle Designation

..... Trails Open to Wheeled Vehicles 50" or Less in Width

..... Trails Open to Motorcycles Only

Seasonal Designation (See Tables)

Dispersed Camping (See Blanket Statements)

State Hwy; US Hwy

Other Public Roads

Short Route Symbol

FS Office

Guard Station

Trailhead

Campground

Geology; Local

Peak

Forest or Unit Boundary

National Forest System Land

Non-National Forest System Lands within the National Forest

County Boundary

Section Lines

Lakes and Reservoirs

Wilderness

Winter Range Motorized Travel Restricted Area (See Blanket Statements)

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PROHIBITIONS

It is prohibited to possess or operate a motor vehicle on National Forest System lands on the Uncompahgre National Forest other than in accordance with these designations (36 CFR 261.13).

Violations of 36 CFR 261.13 are subject to a fine of up to \$5,000 or imprisonment for up to 6 months or both (U.S.C. 3571(e)). This prohibition applies regardless of the presence or absence of signs.

This map does not display non-motorized uses, over-snow uses, or other facilities and attractions on the Uncompahgre National Forest. Obtain forest visitor information from the local National Forest Office.

Designated roads, trails and areas may also be subject to temporary, emergency closures, and visitors must comply with signs notifying them of such restrictions. A national forest may issue an order to close a road, trail, or area on a temporary basis to protect the life, health, or safety of forest visitors or the natural or cultural resources in these areas. Such temporary and/or emergency closures are consistent with the Travel Management Rule (36 C.F.R. 212.52(b); 36 D.F.R. 261 Subpart B).

The designation "road or trail open to all motor vehicles" does not supersede State traffic law.

EXPLANATION OF LEGEND ITEMS

Roads Open to Highway Legal vehicles Only: These roads are open only to motor vehicles licensed under State law for general operation on all public roads within the state.

Roads Open to All Vehicles: These roads are open to all motor vehicles, including smaller off-highway vehicles that may not be licensed for highway use (but not to oversize or overweight vehicles under State traffic law).

Trails Open to All Vehicles: These trails are open to all motor vehicles, including both highway legal and non-highway legal vehicles.

Trails Open to Wheeled Vehicles 50 inches or less in Width: Trails open only to wheeled vehicles less than 50 inches in width at the widest point on the vehicle.

Trails Open to Motorcycles Only: These trails are open only to motorcycles. Sidecars are not permitted.

Special Vehicle Designation: This symbol indicates the road or trail is open to classes of vehicles other than those listed above. Refer to the Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Seasonal Designation: This symbol, used in conjunction with one of the other road or trail symbols, indicates that the road or trail is open only during certain portions of the year. Refer to Seasonal and Special Designation Table for further instructions.

Dispersed Camping: This symbol is used along with a designated road or trail to indicate limited cross-country motor vehicle use within a specific distance of that route, solely for the purpose of dispersed camping. The dots indicate where this activity is permitted. They may be on the left, right, or both sides of the route. Refer to Blanket Statement for specifics.

Other Public Roads and Trails: Highways, US and State Other Public Roads These symbols are used to show routes the Forest Service does not have jurisdiction over or perfected access and has not designated for motorized use. These symbols are part of the reference layers showing connections to towns and cities outside the forest boundary and routes where the Forest Service does not have perfected access within the forest boundary.

Short Route Identifier: See Short Route Table This symbol is used for roads that are too short to show a symbol type on the map. The symbol contains the number of the road or trail. Users should refer to the corresponding number in the Short Route Table for designation information.

Motorized Trail Access: This symbol indicates a trailhead for access to a motorized route. Not all motorized routes have trailheads and those that do may range from primitive to developed.

The main map displays the Uncompahgre National Forest, showing various roads, trails, and wilderness areas. Key features include:   
 - Roads: Solid lines for roads open to highway legal vehicles, dashed lines for roads open to all vehicles, and dotted lines for trails open to all vehicles.   
 - Trails: Solid lines for trails open to wheeled vehicles 50" or less in width, and dotted lines for trails open to motorcycles only.   
 - Wilderness: Shaded areas representing wilderness regions.   
 - Seasonal Designations: Shaded areas indicating seasonal restrictions.   
 - Other Features: County boundaries, section lines, lakes and reservoirs, and peaks.   
 - Inset Map: A detailed inset map of the Silver Lake area, showing roads, trails, and wilderness areas in more detail.   
 - Scale: A scale bar indicating distances in miles (0, 0.5, 1 mile).   
 - Coordinates: Latitude and longitude coordinates are provided along the edges of the map.

North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83)  
Universal Transverse Mercator, zone 13  
R. 12W. R. 11W. R. 10W. R. 9W. R. 8W. R. 7W. R. 6W. R. 5W. R. 4W.

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